BEFORE THE RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. R-2083

SHARI SULLIVANT 23641 Palomino Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 1772

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Respiratory Care Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in the above entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on October 11, 2008.

It is so ORDERED October 1, 2008.

Original signed by:

LARRY L. RENNER, BS, RRT, RCP, RPFT PRESIDENT, RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| 12 | SHARI SULLIVANT | OAH No. L2007100787 | |
| 13 | 23641 Palomino Drive Diamond Bar, California 91765 | STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND ORDER | |
| 14 | Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 1772 | | |
| 15 | Respondent. | | |
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| 17 | IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND | AGREED by and between the parties in this | |
| 18 | proceeding that the following matters are true: | | |
| 19 | <u>PARTIES</u> | | |
| 20 | 1. Stephanie Nunez (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the | | |
| 21 | Respiratory Care Board of California. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and | | |
| 22 | is represented in this matter by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of | | |
| 23 | California, by Peggie Bradford Tarwater, Deputy Attorney General. | | |
| 24 | 2. Shari Sullivant (Respondent) is representing herself in this proceeding and | | |
| 25 | has chosen not to exercise her right to be represented by counsel. | | |
| 26 | 3. On or about May 10, 1985, the Respiratory Care Board of California | | |
| 27 | issued Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 1772 to Shari Sullivant (Respondent). The | | |
| 28 | expired on August 31, 2006, and has not been renewed. | | |
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JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. R-2083 was filed before the Respiratory Care Board (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on June 7, 2007. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. R-2083 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. R-2083. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the following: the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. R-2083, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders her Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 1772 for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Respiratory Care Practitioner License without further process.

CONTINGENCY

10. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Respiratory Care

Board. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Respiratory Care Board of California may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

- 11. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 12. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the (Board) may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 1772, issued to Respondent Shari Sullivant, is surrendered and accepted by the Respiratory Care Board.

- 13. The surrender of Respondent's Respiratory Care Practitioner License and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.
- 14. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Respiratory Care Therapist in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 15. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board both her wall and pocket license certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 16. Respondent fully understands and agrees that if she ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall

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